



CUSA Council acknowledges and respects the Algonquin people, on whose traditional territory the Carleton University Students' Association is located.

**AGENDA OF THE
4th REGULAR (September)
CUSA COUNCIL MEETING**

30 September 2024, 6:00 PM EST, 608 Pigiarvik

Prepared by:

Aiden Rohacek, Vice President Internal

ATTENDANCE RECORD:

Position	Councillor	Signature
President	Sarah El Fitori	Present
<i>Vice President Finance</i>	<i>Samuel Easby</i>	Present
<i>Vice President Internal</i>	<i>Aiden Rohacek</i>	Present
<i>Vice President Student Issues</i>	<i>Artur Estrela da Silva</i>	Present
<i>Vice President Student Life</i>	<i>Vacant</i>	N/A
Speaker	<i>Marc Denault</i>	Present
Deputy Speaker	<i>Joanna Olagoke-Daniel</i>	Absent
Public Affairs (7)	Akua Antwi-Adjei	Absent
	Yafet Bizuneh	Present
	Clara de Oliveira Borba	Present
	Emma Girvan	Present
	Mujtaba Hussain	Present
	Aidan Kallioinen	Present
	Miles Rowe	Proxy through A. Kallioinen
FASS (8)	Maira Bilgrami	Proxy through M. Hussain
	Cass Mclsaac	Present
	Zam Onwusah	Present
	<i>Vacant</i>	N/A
	<i>Vacant</i>	N/A
	<i>Vacant</i>	N/A
	<i>Vacant</i>	N/A

	<i>Vacant</i>	N/A
Business (3)	Gaurikh Appanah	Proxy through J. Sanchez
	<i>Vacant</i>	N/A
	Joe Sanchez	Present
Science (6)	Ali Khan	Present
	Joanna Olagoke-Daniel	Absent
	Pelumi Olagunju	Present
	Liam Orlowski	Absent
	Dilkusha Sakiba	Proxy through M. Hussain
	Maheeshan Sivanesan	Present
Engineering and Design (7)	Yahya Al-Khateeb	Present
	Nathan Bruni	Present
	Ethan Buckarev	Absent
	Marc Denault	Present
	Jaden Desveaux	Present
	Dana Sayed Ahmed	Present
	Aryan Singh	Present
Special Student (1)	Adam Burke	Proxy through M. Hussain
BOG	<i>Logan Breen</i>	Present
	<i>Yafet Bizuneh</i>	Present
GSA	<i>Jayesh Kundu</i>	Absent
RRRA	Mohammed Akif	Present
CASG	Allan Buri	Present

*Nonvoting members in *Italics*.

AGENDA:

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of the Agenda
3. Approval of Past Minutes
4. Presentations/Delegations
5. Executive Reports
6. External Reports
7. Council Reports
8. Announcements and Correspondence
 - a. Declarations of Conflicts of Interest
 - b. Items for Information
 - i. Committee Attendance
 - ii. Advanced Polling
 - c. Notice of Motion
9. Question Period
10. Regular Business
 - a. Unfinished Business
 - b. New Business
 - i. Motion to Approve the Political Stakeholder & Advocacy Policy
 - ii. Motion to Approve the Advocacy Roadmap
 - iii. Motion to Elect Officers for the Student Life Committee
 - iv. Motion to Elect Officers for the External Affairs Committee
 - v. Motion to go in-camera
11. Adjournment

1. Call to Order

Before we address the regular business of this meeting, I'd like to acknowledge that we are today gathered on the traditional territory of the Algonquin Anishinaabe, lands never ceded or surrendered in peace to the Crown of Canada. Indigenous peoples living under the modern colonial state of Canada have suffered disproportionate injustice and marginalization. A mere land acknowledgement is not enough to make reconciliation and reparation to the Indigenous peoples of Turtle Island. We must stand in solidarity against colonialism and remember our responsibility to the land and the peoples who have kept it for generations—which means affirming their call for the free and unencumbered return to their ancestral land. It is also fitting, for this body of lawmakers, to remember the spirit and wisdom of Indigenous governance models—from the collaborative bicameralism of the Haudenosaunee Confederacy to the consensus-based government of the Inuit—to deliver to students a better student union.

2. Approval of the Agenda (C-31)

Be it resolved, that the agenda be approved as presented to Council, notwithstanding s. 18 of the *Council Rules of Order*.

Moved: N. Bruni

Seconded: C. Oliveria Borba

CARRIED unanimously

3. Approval of Past Minutes (C-32)

- a. First Special Meeting (18 September)

Be it resolved, that the minutes of the [September 18th](#) meeting of Council be approved.

Moved: A. Kallioinen

Seconded: N. Bruni

4. Presentations/Delegations

5. Executive Reports

Sarah El Fitori (**President/CEO**)

Month in Review:

- Met with comms department to help finalize designs for CUSA PANDA merch
- Worked on Executive roadmap
- Worked with external stakeholders to CUSA to continue relations (university, student groups, UOSU, cbc news, etc)
- Took a partial leave of absence to reevaluate my priorities as president and my term, while focusing on my physical health, which I am currently still on.

Aiden Rohacek (**Vice President Internal**)

Month in Review:

- Assisted with CUSA fall orientation programming
- Planned and attended the Clubs Expo with the SEO
- Created the Clubs [Storage Allocation Procedure](#) with the assistance of the AVP Student Groups
- Hosted the Fall President's Meeting with the Student Groups Administrator and AVP Student Groups
- Elected new representatives to the Clubs Oversight Commission
- Organized the September Special Council Meeting
- Met with the CRO, Student Experience Manager, and Communications team to prepare for the by-election and VPSL election
- Opened the first round of applications for clubs storage
- Completed the first round of clubs funding
- Continued preparations for the opening of the Clubs Hub with the AVP Student Groups and Student Groups Administrator

- Organized committee meetings and facilitated the Finance, Fees, and Funds Committee meeting
- Assisted clubs with general inquiries

Month Ahead:

- Facilitate the VPSL election process
- Door-knocking with the University for Panda Game Awareness
- Onboard the new members of the Clubs Oversight Commission
- Begin reviewing storage, certification, and funding applications with the Clubs Oversight Commission
- Distribute lockers to club leaders
- Organize a meeting with newly elected committee officers
- Review Risk Management data
- Prepare for the launch of the Clubs Hub

Artur Estrela da Silva (Vice President Student Issues)

Month in Review:

- Met with City Councilor Ariel Troster to discuss student protections against “renovictions” and unlawful housing practices and Carleton's mental health and addiction challenges.
- Met with MP Yasir Naqvi to discuss challenges with federal postsecondary funding, the existing cap on the number of international students, and updates on a previous proposal on housing and student debt
- Delivered a joint statement (with UOSU and ATU local 279) on the service reductions to the LRT to all City Council members
- Presented at City Council's LRT Subcommittee on students' frustration at delays to the opening of Trillium Line, and existing transit challenges in Ottawa.
- Assisted with FROSH tabbling.
- Tabled for WeBelieveYou Day with Carleton EIC and Ottawa SASC
- Met with MPP Peggy Settler to International and Domestic Student Support and University budgetary concerns

- Met with MPP Chandra Pasma to discuss housing and affordability
- Tabled for Advocacy Roadmap In-Person Consultation (302 responses in two days)
- Wrote the Advocacy Roadmap with AVPs U&GA and RA
- Reviewed the new Political Stakeholder & Advocacy Policy
- Reviewed our partnership program and facilitated the Mexican Embassy's connection with the university
- Attended the second meeting of the Sexual Violence Policy Review Committee
- Assisted students with individual issues
- [AVP U&GA Report](#)

Month Ahead:

- Review CUSA Think Tank applications.
- Hold a Third AFCOM Meeting
- Meet with Service Centre Coordinators to discuss support in addressing student issues
- Table at the FGPA Showcase
- Hold our Transit Panel on October 10th
- Reconnect with the University on Tuition Guarantee
- Reconnect with the Advocacy Team on what will be next initiatives from the Roadmap to tackle

Samuel Easby (Vice President Finance).

Month in Review:

- Compiled contacts from community for student discount card (SDC)
- Collaborated with AVP SF and Comms team to make & order the cards
- Reached out to interested businesses to gather logos, addresses, etc for CUSA website related to discount card
- Cleaned and reorganized The Wing to use as a pop-up shop for merch and SDC
- Went through budget to make changes to anticipated next year differences

- Deliberated with clubs oversight committee to delegate clubs funding
- Approved multiple payment processes for SIF, Clubs, etc
- Met with Charitable Initiatives Manager to discuss changes to Academic Resilience Fund
- Daily administrative tasks (approving FPARF forms, Scotiabank payments, etc)
- Collaborated with Comms to plan Panda merch sales
- Assisted with Frosh related activities
- Assisted with CUSA table at the clubs expo
- Worked with AVP SF to plan and discuss a new economics discussion initiative
- Met with Fees, Finance, and Funding committee

Month Ahead:

- Begin and continue to sell the discount cards (Starting day if council)
- Continue working on drafting the next budget
- Sell Panda merch leading up to the game
- Work with AVP SF to further plan new initiatives
- Attend new upcoming meetings for clubs oversight committee with new team
- Administrative tasks
- Meet with Fees, Finance, and Funding committee

6. External Reports

- a. Rideau River Residence Association
 - Official announcement of the resignation of both VPA and VPP.
 - Planning for upcoming elections to fill these roles, set to begin on October 1st.
- b. Carleton Academic Student Government
- c. Graduate Students' Association
- d. Senate
- e. Board of Governors

7. Council Reports

a. Constituency Reports

- FPA
- FASS
- Business
- Science
- FED

b. Committee Reports

8. Announcements and Correspondence

a. Declarations of Conflicts of Interest

b. Items for Information

- Committee Attendance
- Advanced Polling

c. Notice of Motion

9. Question Period

10. Regular Business

a. Unfinished Business:

b. New Business:

Motion to Approve the *Political Stakeholder & Advocacy Policy (C-33)*

Whereas, CUSA seeks to pursue meaningful and long-lasting advocacy partnerships with government and community stakeholders at the municipal, provincial, and federal levels;

And whereas, the Advocacy Team would benefit from a framework to engage with stakeholders and political organizations;

Be it resolved, that Council adopt the [*Political Stakeholder & Advocacy Policy*](#).

Moved: A. Kallioinen

Seconded: A. Singh

CARRIED unanimously

Motion to Approve the Advocacy Roadmap (C-34)

Whereas, the Advocacy Team has engaged in consultations with members of the Carleton and Ottawa community to understand the issues that students face;

And whereas, the Advocacy Team has synthesized the concerns of students into the Advocacy Roadmap, a document that will guide CUSA's advocacy efforts for the year;

And whereas, Council should approve the draft of the Advocacy Roadmap before it is circulated amongst the Carleton community;

Be it resolved, that Council approve the [Advocacy Roadmap draft](#).

Moved: N. Bruni **Seconded:** J. Desveaux

CARRIED unanimously

Motion to Elect Officers for the Student Life Committee (C-35)

Whereas, the Student Life Committee has been unable to meet on the last two occasions;

And whereas, Officers are necessary for the operations of the Committee;

Be it resolved, that Council appoint Councillor Hussain for the position of Chair, Councillor Sivanesan for the position of Vice-Chair, and [name] for the position of Secretary

Moved: Y. Bizuneh **Seconded:** M. Hussain

CARRIED unanimously

Motion to Elect Officers for the External Affairs Committee (C-36)

Whereas, the External Affairs Committee was unable to reach quorum at its September meeting;

And whereas, Officers are necessary for the operations of the Committee;

Be it resolved, that Council appoint [name] for the position of Chair, [name] for the position of Vice-Chair, and [name] for the position of Secretary

Moved: N. Bruni **Seconded:** Y. Bizuneh

Motion tabled

Motion to Move In-Camera (C-37)

Be it resolved, that Council move *in camera* per s. 27 (g) of the *Council Rules of Order*.

Moved: A. Kallioinen **Seconded:** N. Bruni

11. Adjournment

a. Motion to Adjourn to a Specific Time (C-38)

Be it resolved, that Council adjourns until 6:00 p.m. the 28th of October, and that this shall constitute for the purposes of the *Act* and our *Bylaws*, prior notice.

Moved: J. Desxieux

Seconded: N. Bruni